

IMPORTANT DECISIONS MADE BY HOSPITAL COMMISSIONERS

Decided to Build New Wing to Epidemic Hospital—Makes Room for Fifteen More Patients and Sixteen Nurses—Outdoor Department to be Brought up to Standard.

Important decisions were made yesterday at the regular meeting of the Board of Hospital Commissioners when it was decided to build a new wing to the Epidemic Hospital which will make room for fifteen more patients and sixteen nurses and two superintendents. The second matter disposed of was the clearing of the basement of the Hospital to bring the outdoor department up to standard. With the rearranging of the rooms in the main building the best capacity will be increased to nineteen more beds than at present.

There were present M. E. Agar, chairman, W. E. Burrows, J. E. Brown, Mrs. J. Verner McAllan, Dr. G. R. J. Crawford, Hon. Dr. Roberts and J. King Kelley. The meeting opened at 4:15 and adjourned for supper at the hospital at six, resuming at 7 and lasting until after ten o'clock.

The report of the committee on the Epidemic Hospital extension and outdoor department was heard. F. Neil Brodie was present. Hon. Dr. Roberts reported that the Warden and Mayor had stated that the board could unite upon one plan the Warden and Mayor would authorize the expenditure of another \$10,000. A place for nurses was talked of and extension of the Epidemic Hospital allowing for extra patients, bays and toilets for men and women. The committee endeavored to find a flat or house to house the nurses but were unable to find one. A unit outside the Epidemic was suggested and a unit for messes. The Mayor suggested building an extra story on the Epidemic. This was not feasible according to the safety laws. A new Epidemic building is entirely out of the question at the present time.

F. Neil Brodie submitted a plan for a new wing stretching out eastwardly and southwardly towards Delhi street and Waterloo. This will allow for 15 cases of measles and provide room for nurses and two superintendents. The plan was approved. Mr. Brodie pointed out that sixteen nurses are necessary which allows one nurse for every seven patients. If the Epidemic is full, many patients are children and special care is greatly needed in these cases.

The cost of the wing is to be about \$13,000. Mr. Agar said that this alteration was only a temporary expedient and only as that would be voted for. All present agreed with him that an Epidemic Hospital should be away entirely from the main building. The Board said these plans will allow for complete separation from the main hospital.

Last winter the epidemic was killed and patients had to be sent away. A sick test has been ordered by the health minister for every child to be admitted to an orphanage. Commissioner O'Brien moved and Mr. Emerson seconded a motion that the proposal to build a new wing be accepted and that Mr. Brodie bring plans and specifications to the next meeting. The vote passed five to one.

The outdoor department has not been up to standard and plans were prepared for a clearing out of the basement to improve this department. A receiving room will be arranged so that the ambulance will be able to drive right up to it. This will relieve left hand traffic in corridor. B. Ample space for the radio graphic department will be provided as well as for the outdoor operating room. Clinics may be held in the basement. This plan will allow for 20 or 24 extra beds on the first floor.

Pipes in the basement of the West wing will be taken down and a clear space made 24 by 5 feet giving additional room for 24 free patients. Remodelling was roughly estimated at a cost of \$4,000. This plan was unanimously approved and Mr. Gale was asked to reduce it to writing and bring it before the board later.

Some changes in the old Nurses' home were shown on a plan. At present 75 persons are domiciled in a room which has a capacity of 23.

On motion this amendment was approved. Seven private rooms and three semi-private rooms will be available next week allowing for 12 extra beds at present.

R. H. Gale, superintendent, submitted the following report which was adopted:

Patients remaining Aug. 31st..... 111
Admitted during September..... 169

Discharged during September, 162,
of whom 79 were cured; 59 improved
and 16 died.

Patients remaining September 30,
118.
59 operations in operating room and
50 in outdoor department.

Patients per day average 99.5.
Dr. Diamond went to Newfoundland
and it is stated is not likely to return
so an intern should be engaged to take
his place. Miss Beidling, anaesthetist,
and Miss Maclellan are two weeks
leave. House doctors give anaesthetics
and Miss Collins is in charge of
this floor. Miss Murdoch, nurse, is
in charge of operating theatre and has
returned after an absence of two weeks.

Miss Craig and Miss Barbour had
charge in Miss Murdoch's absence.
Miss Hutton, dietitian, has asked for
two weeks leave, and Mr. Gale recommended that a dietitian be engaged
in her absence. It was decided to engage
another intern in place of Dr. Diamond,
who, it is understood, remains
in Newfoundland.

The question of salaries was discussed.
The matter was left to the
superintendent and medical men on
the board.

Dr. Crawford moved that Miss Mitchell
be asked to take Miss Hutton's
place during her leave of absence for
holidays. Mrs. McAllan is commissary
for the coming month.

Wife escapes are being scrapped and
patented with asbestos patent.
Receipts including surgical
instruments..... \$12.00
Sundry..... 171.00
Pay Patients..... 2,553.15
City Chamberlain..... 10,187.00
Total..... \$13,923.20

Busy Session In Police Court

Case of Theft Against Woman—Heavy Fine for Drinking in Public.

The police court was a busy place yesterday morning, a number of traffic cases coming up as well as several for violation of the prohibition law. The case against Charles Paddock for selling lemon extract to James Spellman and Edward P. O'Brien was resumed and further postponed, the accused putting up \$300 for his appearance.

George Bell was fined \$200 for selling liquor unlawfully.

The case of May Hickey, charged with the theft of a suit from Mrs. Mary Shea was taken up and after hearing the evidence of Sgt. Power was postponed.

Two drunkards pleaded guilty and were each fined \$8 for being drunk and \$200 for drinking in a public place.

The man and woman arrested early yesterday morning, charged with being drunk, pleaded not guilty and were remanded.

The work of the housemen has been satisfactory, also that of the nursing staff.

The medical board asked for permission to use the lecture room in the Nurses' Home. The report was adopted.

The matter of use of lecture room being left to Mrs. McAllan to make satisfactory arrangements.

Miss Hutton's report as commissary was received and declared satisfactory. The total cost was \$3,039.26.

Miss Sandall, linen matron's detailed report was accepted; it was also satisfactory.

Mrs. Cowan's report of linen in the Nurses' Home was also read.

A letter was received from Dr. W. E. Rowley resigning as lecturer in physiology on the training school. Dr. Crawford was asked to find a member of the staff to fill the vacancy.

An application for position as masseur was received. This was left to the superintendent to report further particulars.

M. Emerson reported that tenders for a generator for the emergency lighting system had been received.

A Burnside, engineer, was present during a discussion on coal. No action was taken except that the superintendent and Mr. Burnside will see about the installation of a check draft.

The matter of a sitting room for the assistant matron, Mrs. Cowan, was left to the superintendent to report for the month.

New card for admittance to the hospital were discussed.

Opera House Reduces Prices

Decrease in admissions takes effect today—Mid-Week Bill a sure winner.

With the hope of securing several thousands more patrons, and as a tangible expression of a desire to reduce the cost of living, wholesome amusement being a necessity rather than a luxury, the Opera House management has announced a reduction on all seats.

Lower door box, balcony 2nd gallery 15c. Matinee, Admits 20c. Children 10c. These prices will include the tax and same will take effect today.

Vineer and Company's European vaudeville specialists which means they are acrobats with variations. They offer a fine routine of new feats and these stunts are accompanied with music.

Sandifer and Benson are the real article in (colored) entertainers. They offer a comedy skit entitled "Going to New Orleans," which is rich in fun, song and dance.

Grace Leonard is a stylish girl who wears boys' clothes and looked smart in them. In the evening she is a regular fashion plate young woman on the stage.

She sings a lot of songs in a way that has won high favor wherever she has appeared.

Gertrude Dudley & Co. the company being her husband, bring a song and chat act called "Class and Jazz," which has been going big everywhere.

The picture programme consists of the "Avening Arrow," popular serial drama, and a two reel comedy "Who's Your Grocer," featuring Hank Mann.

Swedish Cabinet Resigns Today

Stockholm, Oct. 3.—The Cabinet, headed by Oscar von Sydow as Premier, will resign tomorrow in consequence of the recent elections.

King Gustav is expected to ask Hjalmar Branting to form a new Ministry, which will be entirely Socialist, as the Liberals have declared their unwillingness to join a new Liberal-Socialist coalition.

However in view of the fact that ministers were not unused to small coalitions, they would not be surprised at the small amount.

Mr. Durban in his address dealt with the place of religion in life, dwelling upon the need of co-operation. He repeated by request some striking remarks he had made before the Canadian Club, and expressed great pleasure at the fine spirit in which the people of all the churches are taking up the home visitation.

Edward P. O'Brien Being Tried For Murder of Albert Norris

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valvulation of the heart, chronic kidney disease, chronic inflammation of the liver and spleen, chronic inflammation of the pleura of the right side and oedema of the lung.

Fracture of the skull, the doctor said, was usually caused by application of force. The fracture in question was by contusion, it had occurred at the place opposite to where the force was applied.

A fracture of the brain might be caused by a very moderate application of force or by a heavy blow.

A considerable clash occurred between Dr. Abramson and Mr. Ryan, when the latter began his cross-examination and questioned the doctor as to what examination he made, to arrive at his conclusions, and as to possible chances of recovery from fracture of the skull.

Dr. Mabel Patterson, an interne at the General Public Hospital, said she examined Norris when he was admitted to the hospital and diagnosed his injuries as fracture of the skull.

She detected a strong alcoholic odor to his breath, and from her examination she said he had been drinking. The doctor said the man's stomach was washed, and described other treatment given him.

Norris was also examined by two other doctors in addition to herself shortly after he was admitted.

Mrs. Alma Smith, 185 Erin street, said she saw three men enter the Ryan house, one of which was shortly before 9 o'clock on the night of September 8. The alley, she explained, was nearly opposite her home.

When Mrs. Smith saw a man come out of the Ryan house, she saw two men come out later, and from her window saw an object fall, but could not see what it was because of the darkness. It sounded like something very heavy. Five minutes later she saw two men come out of the Ryan house.

The witness' idea of time was tested by Mr. Ryan, who took out his watch and asked her to tell him when she thought a minute had expired. She said she had no watch.

Mr. Ryan then proceeded to do so, and the majority in the court room picked out their watches, while others tried to test themselves. Mrs. Smith said the minute was up after about 30 seconds had elapsed.

Mrs. Margaret Moore, 128 Erin street, said she lived in what is known as the Ryan house, one side of which was the Ryan house and the other side was the Ryan house.

She said she saw three men come round the corner of Erin and Prince Edward street, and enter the Ryan house. One of them, Spellman, came up to the third and upper flat where she lived, and asked if Fred Kofke was in. She told him no, after which he went down stairs and out the front door with the other two. The three stood talking a while and then went round the corner of the Ryan building and she did not see them again.

Helena Norris, daughter of the deceased, said she went to the hospital shortly after her father was taken there. She saw the nurses washing the body, and described the other treatment given her father. She said she stayed by his bedside until he died at 5 in the morning.

Detected J. H. Saunders, said he visited the General Public Hospital early on the morning of September 3, and then went to Mrs. Ryan Linton's house and got Harry Norris to take him to the scene of the tragedy. He examined the spot and found the two pieces of board and hat produced in court leaning against the fence.

Later in the morning he visited the morgue at the hospital with Sergeant Detective Powers and saw Norris dead body there.

Court Adjourns.

It was nearly 6 o'clock when Detective Saunders concluded his evidence, so no further witnesses were called, and the court adjourned to this morning at 10. As there are only a few more witnesses to be called by the prosecution, it is thought that the defense will probably be closed this morning and the case will be concluded today.

The case is not followed with the intense interest that the Paris case attracted, which is probably due to the fact that the prisoner has confessed his part in the crime.

When the court adjourned the judge directed that the jury be kept together, as the law would not permit them to separate until the prisoner was charged with a capital offence. They were therefore taken to the Edward Hotel where they spent the night in the custody of Constables Andrew Garnet and Frank McBlairty.

A WARNING TO REFORMERS.

I've been always the mildest and meekest of men Who wouldn't say boo to a goose or a hen.

I've been so submissive to moral reform, That it's clear as is day, I'm the original worm.

But though I allow you to manage my life, To choose me my ties, or to choose me my wife,

Yet this is a thing of a different sort, And I'd have you know sir, I'm a worm who will fight.

If you lay thievish hands on my one sacred right, My right to import.

You may out to tobacco and out to the bar, But there is such a thing as going too far.

You may force me to bed, at what hour you will, You may eat food that makes me quite ill.

You may drive me to church to get corns on my knees, You may hector and bully as much as you please.

But I must my dear sirs, put an end to your sport, When you take from my life my last pleasure and joy.

I'm a worm who will turn, when you try to destroy My right to import.

FARMERS' BLOC RIPS TAX BILL ALL TO PIECES

Raises Opposition, Scorns Compromise and Plans Amendments in U.S. Senate

Washington, Oct. 3.—The tax revision bill as sponsored by the Senate Finance Committee is on the rocks. It will be passed eventually, of course, but its authors may not be able to recognize it when it reaches the statute books.

There is every indication that it will be considerably patched and radically amended before it reaches a final vote.

Republican leaders backing the measure frankly admitted the necessity of some changes to facilitate passage of the bill. Many conferences were held today with a view to meeting opposition raised by the agricultural bloc to some of the bill's principal features.

Leaders of the bloc spurned any compromise. They called a meeting for tomorrow to outline a definite plan of action. They were unwilling to discuss concessions until they had accurately determined the sentiment of the whole bloc.

Reports were current that the Republican leaders were willing to surrender the transportation tax if the bloc would support the repeal of the excess profits taxes and the proposed reduction of the surtaxes. The bloc gave little heed to these suggestions in view of the fact that they have votes enough in sight apparently to reject the transportation tax outright without making concessions.

Smoot's Plan Gains Recruits.

As a result of dissatisfaction with numerous sections of the bill the group supporting the Smoot 3 per cent manufacturers' sales tax, designed to take the place of the excess profits tax and various miscellaneous taxes, appeared to be gaining recruits rapidly.

Senator Smoot gave notice he would propose a series of amendments to carry out his programme at tomorrow's session.

One weak spot in the sales tax prospects is in the attitude of the agricultural bloc. Indications are that the bloc, following the cue of various agricultural associations, will not give wholehearted support to the Smoot plan, although some individual members may vote for it.

Senator Simmons (N. C.) had a lively tilt with Senator Penrose at the close of today's session. Senator Penrose complained of the slow progress of the bill and proposed to meet earlier than usual tomorrow.

Senator Simmons vehemently protested, accusing Senator Penrose of attempting to use steam roller tactics to force the bill to a vote without giving the Democrats adequate time to present their arguments against it.

He threatened prolonged opposition and predicted that unless the Democrats were treated with proper consideration a vote would not be reached "before the snow flies." Senator Simmons proposed amendments striking at the vital principles of the Finance Committee's bill.

Tender Dinner To Dr. G. F. Mathew

Banquet Will be Held Friday Evening at Union Club Leaving City.

A meeting of the Natural History Society officers was held yesterday when it was decided to tender a dinner to Dr. G. F. Mathew at the Union Club on Friday evening next.

The guests on this occasion in addition to Dr. Mathew will be Lieut. Governor Pugsley, Mayor Schofield, the president of the University of New Brunswick, and the president of the Mount Allison University.

Dr. and Mrs. Mathew are leaving the city in a short time for New York where they intend to make their home and they will be greatly missed in St. John.

Dr. Mathew is member of the Royal Society of England, he is the only member in New Brunswick and one of only four members in Canada.

Enormous Waste In Men's Ready-Made Clothing Industry

Probers Say \$240,000,000 Could be Saved Yearly.

New York, Oct. 3.—Annual savings of 40 per cent or about \$240,000,000 could be made in the men's ready-made clothing industry, with its yearly output of \$600,000,000, declared a report of the American Engineering Council's committee on elimination of waste in industry, made public today.

The report, based on a national investigation of the industry, asserted that management and labor alike were responsible for the enormous waste.

Seasonal shutdowns, industry discord, the "sell-then-make" policy, lack of standardization of appliances, conditions, work content and method and inefficient planning, were given as the chief sources of waste.

"The most fundamental cause of waste," it was added, "is the traditional fire inspired, order-enticing sales policy, which expresses itself in wide variety and its attendant make-to-order basis of manufacturing."

What seems to be needed, asserted the committee, is that each manufacturer limit the number of models and cloth styles, bridge the slack seasons by manufacturing for stock and adopt various, positive selling methods, backed up by effective national advertising.

Excessive variety in styles is largely responsible for seasonal employment continued the report, adding that "responsible sales statistics indicate that neither the consuming public nor the dealers really demand such excessive variety."

Industrial discord was said to have grown chiefly out of recurring seasonal employment, although the workers also were said to retain "vivid memories of the mere wage pittance they received in their former years of sweatshop exploitation."

"The result," said the report, "has been a rapid unionization of the industry. Since unionization, strikes have been relatively infrequent. The collective bargaining agreements for strikes, lockouts and stoppages and provide industrial machinery and proper adjustment of disputes."

Woolen mills were charged with a widespread tendency to trade and even to gamble in cloth, the whole process of purchase and delivery of woolsens being described as conducted on a basis which many other industries abandoned long ago.

The committee commended "progress from the sub-contracting system in tailoring" and development toward the establishment of large and stable manufacturing institutions which do their own fabrication—called tailoring—in large part."

Stillman Hearing Now Set For Nov. 11

Change is Made Necessary on Account of Illness of Referee.

Poughkeepsie, Oct. 3.—The next hearing in the James A. Stillman divorce suit, which was to have been held October 11, has been put over until November 1, because of the indisposition of Daniel J. Gleason, referee.

Mr. Gleason has been ill more than two weeks and he is reported by his physicians to be recovering, but they advise the adjournment so his recuperation might be the more complete.

Notices of the adjournment were sent in Mr. Gleason's behalf today to John P. Brennan, chief counsel for Mrs. Stillman, Nicol Anable, Fuller and Sullivan, attorneys for the banker, and John E. Mack, guardian ad litem for baby Guy Stillman. It is considered likely there may be a court appearance in the suit before November 1, and this, it is said, will concern an application of Mrs. Stillman's lawyers for a commission to go to Canada to take depositions of certain witnesses.

Whether the action will develop depends largely upon the attitude Mr. Stillman's lawyers will take. If they should acquiesce there is a possibility the questions the referee wish to ask may be propounded and turned over to the commission. Should the action be contested it is understood to be the intention of Mrs. Stillman's lawyers to take the matter before Supreme Court Justice Morschauser and ask that he appoint a commission, giving the lawyers the right to cross-examine the witnesses.

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POTATO CROP IS LARGEST IN YEARS

Aroostook Pleased Over the Outlook—Price at Houlton \$3 to \$3.50 Per Barrel.

A gentleman from Houlton, Maine, who was in the city yesterday reports that farmers are now busily engaged in picking and digging their potatoes. It is claimed from reports that one of the largest crops harvested for some years will be housed. The price is not as large as hoped for and some places the potatoes are large for cooking purposes it is said that they are of a fine quality. The price is around \$3.00 to \$3.50 per barrel.

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